

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-16 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 7, 8, 13 and 15 are amended. No new matter is added by these amendments. Reconsideration of the application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

The courtesies extended to Applicants' representative by Examiner Singh at the interview held November 5, 2007, are appreciated. The reasons presented at the interview as warranting favorable action are incorporated into the remarks below and constitute Applicants' record of the interview.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-16 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,629,753 to Usui. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

The Office Action asserts that Usui teaches all of the features recited in the independent claims. However, Usui does not teach, or would it have suggested, a data processing system wherein "the first process includes a correction process for generating corrected processing target data, on the basis of the characteristic of the second processing apparatus; the first processing apparatus makes a request for the corrected processing target data; and when the corrected processing target data is supplied to the first processing apparatus in response to the request, the first processing apparatus executes the first process on the basis of the supply corrected processing target data," as recited in amended claim 1.

Usui, in col. 7, lines 10-43, teaches a teleprinting system for printing to a plurality of printers based on color conversion data contained in each of a plurality of color conversion tables. Usui further teaches a management unit converting the printing data to data suitable for printing carried out on each printer, based on the color conversion tables. Additionally, Usui teaches printing on the basis of the characteristics for each individual printer performing the printing. However, Usui does not teach, or would it have suggested, "the first process

includes a correction process for generating corrected processing target data, on the basis of the characteristic of the second processing apparatus," as recited in amended claim 1.

For at least the above reasons, Usui cannot reasonably be considered to teach, or to have suggested, the features recited in at least independent claims 1, 7, 8, 11 and 13-16. Further, claims 2-6, 9, 10 and 12 would also not have been suggested by the applied reference for at least the respective dependency of these claims on allowable claims 1, 7, 8, 11 and 13-16, as well as for the separately patentable subject matter that each of these claims recite.

Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-16 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) are respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-16 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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